

PARKS, CAMPING & OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

2012 PARK DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday, January 3 - Shelter reservations accepted.
- Monday, May 7 - campground open for season
- Monday, May 7 - Monday, September 3 parks open.
After September 3rd shelters open by reservation only through October 21st.

OUTDOOR ICE RINKS

Northwoods: 889 Elm St. NE

Located on the north side of Hutchinson, it contains both a lighted pleasure skating area and a hockey rink. The rink may be closed due to excessive wind chills, poor/unsafe ice and/or larger snowfalls.

Warming House Hours: Monday-Friday: 3:30 - 8:00 pm
Saturdays, Sundays & Non-School Days:
1:00 - 8:00 pm

The warming house will be closed on:

Saturday, December 24th & Sunday, December 25th.

Park Elementary Volunteer Rink: Neighbors to Park Elementary rink will again be donating their time and efforts to flood the area west of the old brick warming house. The shelter will not be open for use as a warming house. People using the rink may want to bring your shovel to help clear off the rink before skating. Parking is allowed on Grove Street during non bus loading times.

KIWANIS PARK SLIDING HILL

20 - 5th Ave North
320-234-4462

Warming House Hours: Monday-Friday: 3:30-8:00 pm
Non-School Days/Weekends: 1:00-8:00 pm

Hit Hutch's highest hill for sledding fun this winter! "Rocket Hill" has a warming house, outdoor lights, and a lot of snow to play on! A special area is designed for snowboards and aggressive sledding. The hill will close when excessive wind chills or poor snow conditions exist.

WARMING HOUSE RULES & INFORMATION

The warming houses will be closed December 24th and 25th in observance of the Christmas holiday.

- Abusive language, horseplay, or fighting is not allowed.
- All facilities are smoke & drug free.
- Rules are posted at the site. Staff will enforce all rules.
- Phones are for emergencies and rides only.
- Do not leave valuables in buildings.
- Warming house is tentatively scheduled to close on Sunday, February 12th, 2012.

For any questions or concerns, please contact the PRCE Office at 587-2975.

EXTRA PICNIC TABLE RENTALS

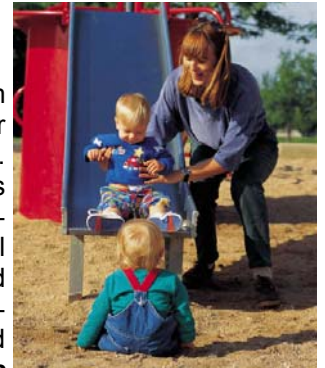
The Parks Department will deliver extra tables for a fee of \$10 per table with a minimum of four (4) tables. Please contact the PRCE Office at 587-2975 to make this request. No tables will be rented to the public for functions outside of the park system (i.e. private homes).

PARK SHELTER RENTALS FOR 2012

Rentals will be taken for 2012 beginning

Tuesday, January 3rd.

The Hutchinson Parks system has 15 shelters available for public rentals on a daily basis. They are designed for uses such as family gatherings, parties, picnics, and reunions. All shelters have trash cans and picnic tables available, and several have water, restrooms, and electrical services.



Rentals are available May 7th-October 21st on a daily basis, between 9:00 am-9:00 pm. After September 3rd shelters are open by reservation only until October 21st. Fees for daily rentals are as follows:

* \$35 for facilities with water, electric, and restrooms (Elks, Kiwanis, Masonic/West River, Northwoods, Oddfellows, Riverside, Rotary, South A, Vets Memorial). These shelters have a minimum of six tables and a capacity for 50-75 people.

* \$20 for facilities with a shelter and tables (Drift Riders, Firemens, Legion, South F, South G, VFW). These facilities have at least four tables and a capacity for 15-25 people.

Please contact the PRCE Office at 587-2975 for further information or to make reservations. Community park maps are available at the PRCE Office.

CAMPING AT MASONIC/WEST RIVER PARK

Located along Les Kouba Parkway, Highway 7 West (behind Best Western Victorian Inn)

12 full hook-ups (\$20/night), 9 pop-ups, 25 tent sites (\$15/night), shelter, restrooms, showers, boat landing, playground equipment, volleyball court, basketball court, walking trail, animal sanctuary.

Open May 7th (weather permitting) to October 21st.

NO RESERVATIONS (first-come, first-serve)

COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS #121761

Fee: \$30 per plot

Think Spring! Think Gardening! The Parks, Recreation and Community Education Department is offering any interested person the chance to participate in the community garden program. The program will provide participants a garden plot measuring approximately 10 feet by 20 feet. You will need seeds, plants, and tools. The plots will be tilled in time to allow planting in the first weeks of May. In order to better serve our gardening community, gardeners will be allowed more than one plot, but only after all participants have one. The cut off date will be May 15th, after that multiple requests will be considered.

